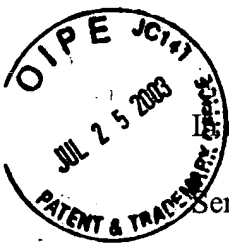


ALC
08/06/03
#10



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: NAKAYAMA, Akitaka, et al.

Serial No.: 09/715,081

Group Art Unit: 3653

Examiner: Jeffery A. Shapiro

Filed: November 20, 2000

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 7823

For. **PRODUCTION SYSTEM FOR PRINTED WIRING BOARD**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED
JUL 31 2003
GROUP 3600
Date: July 25, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2003 for two months from May 28, 2003 to July 28, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$410.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

ARMSTRONG, WESTERMAN & HATTORI, LLP

Michael N. Lau
Attorney for Applicant
Reg. No. 39,479

MNL/eg
Atty. Docket No. 001542
Suite 1000
1725 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006
(202) 659-2930



23850

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

H:\HOME\EGreenwood\MNL\00\001542 prel a eot

07/28/2003 JBALINAM 00000117 09715081

01 FC:1252

410.00 OP